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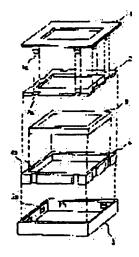
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## (54) MOUNTING SYSTEM FOR FLAT PANEL DISPLAY

### (57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To protect a flat panel display and to easily mount it by a method wherein the flat panel display is fitted into an enclosure together with a buffer material. CONSTITUTION: A buffer-material cover 4 is fitted into a case 5; a flat panel display 3 is fitted into it. Then, the display face side of the flat panel display 3 is covered with a buffer-material cover 2. Lastly, an escutcheon 1 is mounted on the case 5 in such a way that snap-fit claws la are fitted into snap-fit holes 5a through cutouts 2a and 4a for snapfit use. Thereby, it is possible to protect the flat panel display against a shock from the outside by using the buffer material, a screw is not required and an assembly property can be enhanced.



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## **SPECIFICATION**

## 1. Title of the Invention

## FLAT PANEL DISPLAY ATTACHMENT SYSTEM

#### 2. Claims

1. A flat panel display attachment system which is characterized by the fact that in the display part of a display device comprising a flat panel display, a housing and attachment members,

a shock absorbing material is used in the above-mentioned attachment members.

## 3. Detailed Description of the Invention

(Field of Industrial Utilization)

The present invention relates to a flat panel display attachment system in a display device that uses a flat panel display.

(Prior Art)

In conventional devices, a system such as direct screw fastening of the flat panel display to the housing, or fitting of the flat panel display into the housing, etc., is used. As a result, such attachment systems are easily damaged by the direct application of shocks from the outside to the flat panel display via the housing. Furthermore, [the system described in] Japanese Patent Application Kokai No. S55-86199, etc., may be cited as an example of a related system of this type.

(Problem that the Invention is to Solve)

In the above-mentioned conventional systems, no consideration is given to the protection of the flat panel display, so that the problem of [the display] easily being damaged by shocks has been encountered.

The object of the present invention is to provide an easy attachment system that protects the flat panel display.

(Means for Solving the Problem)

In order to achieve the above-mentioned object, the present invention is devised as a system in which the flat panel display is enveloped by a molded shock absorbing material in order to protect this flat panel display.

Furthermore, in order to allow easy attachment of the flat panel display to the housing of the device, [the present invention is] devised as a system in which the flat panel display is fitted into the housing together with the shock absorbing material, utilizing the elasticity of the shock absorbing material.

## (Operation)

Shocks that are applied to the housing of the device from the outside are transmitted to the flat panel display via the shock absorbing material. As a result, such shocks are alleviated, so that the flat panel display can be protected.

Furthermore, as a result of the elasticity of the shock absorbing material, [the shock absorbing material] exerts a pressing effect on the flat panel display and housing. Since the flat panel display can be fastened to the housing by this pressing effect, easy attachment can be accomplished without any need for screw fastening, etc.

## (Embodiments)

One embodiment of the present invention will be described below with reference to Figure 1.

In the display part of a display device using a flat panel display, [this display part] is constructed from [i] an escutcheon 1 having snap fitting claws 1a formed thereon for the attachment [of this escutcheon 1] to a case 5 without a screw, [ii] a flat panel display 3, [iii] a shock absorbing material cover 2 that protects the display surface side of the flat panel display 3, [iv] a shock absorbing material case 4 which is molded with an internal shape that is smaller than the external shape of the flat panel display 3 and with an external shape that is larger than the internal shape of the case 5, and [v] the case 5, in which snap fitting holes 5a are formed. In order to facilitate the attachment and detachment of the escutcheon 1, snap fitting cut-outs 2a and 4a are [respectively] formed in the shock absorbing material cover 2 and shock absorbing material case 4.

The attachment system [is operated as follows: first,] the shock absorbing material cover [sic] 4 is fitted into the case 5, and the flat panel display 3 is fitted into [this shock absorbing material case 4]. Next, the display surface side of the flat panel display 3 is covered by the shock absorbing material cover 2. Finally, the escutcheon 1 is attached to the case 5 so that the snap fitting claws 1a pass through the snap fitting cut-outs 2a and 4a, and engage with the snap fitting holes 5a. In this attachment system, since a shock absorbing material cover 2 and shock absorbing material case 4 are present between the flat panel display 3 and the escutcheon

<sup>\*</sup> Translator's note: apparent error in the original for "shock absorbing material case."

1, and between the flat panel display 3 and the case 5, the flat panel display 3 is fastened to the case 5. Furthermore, [the present invention is] effective in improving the assembly characteristics; e.g., no screws are used, etc.

Furthermore, since shocks from the outside are alleviated by the shock absorbing material cover 2 and shock absorbing material case 4, [the present invention is] effective in protecting the flat panel display 3.

## (Effect of the Invention)

In the present invention, the flat panel display can be protected against shocks from the outside by means of the shock absorbing material; accordingly, the present invention is effective in preventing damage to the flat panel display.

Furthermore, since the flat panel display is attached to the housing by the shock absorbing material, screws are not needed, so that [the present invention is] effective in improving the assembly characteristics.

## 4. Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 is an exploded perspective view of only the display part of a display device using a flat panel display in one embodiment of the present invention.

1... Escutcheon; 1a... Snap fitting claws; 2... Shock absorbing material cover; 3... Flat panel display; 4... Shock absorbing material case; 5... Case; 5a... Snap fitting holes; 2a, 4a... Snap fitting cut-outs.

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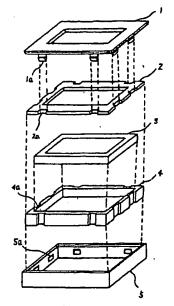


Figure 1

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フラントパネルディスプレ イ取付方式

1.フラットパネルディスプレイと、包存と、取 付部材とより成る奥示機器の表示部において、 前記取付部材に経費材を用いることを静謐と するフラツトパネルディスプレイの取付方式。

#### 3.充労の評価な無明

### 【産業上の利用分野】

本発明はフラットパネルディスプレイを用いた 選示権器におけるフラットパネルディスプレイの 取付方式に関する。

従来の後裔は、フラットパネルディスプレイモ 選体へ直接ねじ止め、もしくははめ込む年の方式 であるため。外部からの樹葉が包体から、直接、 フタツトパネルディスプレイに知わることにより 破損し高い原付方式となつていた。

なお、この種の方式として酸塩するものには、

例えば、何間昭55-86189 多公田等が挙げられる。 (発射が解佚しようとする無難)

上記世来方丈は、フラツトパネルディスプレイ の保護について考慮されておらず、資単によって 製掛し号いという問題があつた。

本見男の目的は、フラソトパネルディスプレイ を保護し、をらに容易な取付方式を提供すること

#### (無難を解決するための手収)

上記目的を進点するため、本発明はフラットパ ネルデイスプレイを保護するために、収益した値 町村で色み込む方丈にした。

また、フラントパネルディスプレイを、機能の 寛体へ容易に取付けるために、 破損材の弾性を削 用して、フラントパネルディスプレイを提倡なご と留体へはめ込む方式にした。

外部から執御の領体へ知ねつた御簟は、鉄御材 を介してフラントパネルディスプレイへ伝わる。 それによつて、仮理は低物されるので、フラット

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パネルディスプレイを保護することができる。

また、最適ははその弾性により、フラットパネルディスプレイと軽なを押す作用をする。それによって、フラットパネルディスプレイを整件に臨 定することができるので、ねじ止め事をせずに名 為に取付けることができる。

#### (実監例)

以下、本発収の一質筋例を第1個により説明す み、

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また、外部からの物味は、便物村カバ2及び観 倒付ケースもにより頭和されるため、フラントパ ネルディスプレイ3を保護する効果がある。 (類項の効果)

本角型によれば、フラントパネルディスプレイ を、外部からの需難に対して、軽調材により印度 できるので、フラントパネルディスプレイの破損 を防ぐ効果がある。

また、最青村によりフラツトパネルデイスプレイを食体に取付けられるので、ねじが不必要となり、私立位向上の効果がある。

#### 4.葡萄の新事な説明

第1回は本身明の一実施例で、フラントパネル ディスプレイを用いた表示機器の表示句のみの分 を共用できる。

1 …ニスカツレミン、1 a … スナツプフィツト爪、2 … 着者はカパー、3 … フラツトパネルディスプレイ、4 … 最何はケース、5 …ケース、5 o …スナツプフィット爪の欠る。

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